GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:71
ANSWERED ON:26.02.2001
SOCIAL AFFORESTATION PROJECTS
DUKHA BHAGAT;SHIVRAJ SINGH CHOUHAN

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any social afforestation projects have been launched in the country during the last three years;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;

(c) the financial assistance provided and achievements made thereunder during the said period, State-wise;

(d) whether the World Bank has also provided any assistance for the purpose particularly in case of Jharkhand State;

(e) if so, the details thereof;

(f) whether the Government have formulated any action plan in this regard; and

(g) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI T.R. BAALU)

(a) to (g): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT IN RESPECT OF PARTS (a) TO (g) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 71 DUE ON 26.2.2001 REGARDING SOCIAL AFFORESTATION PROJECTS.

(a) to (c) The Ministry of Environment and Forests does not provide assistance to the State Governments exclusively for Social Forestry. The states are assisted by the Central Government for implementing afforestation programmes through centrally sponsored schemes with peoples` participation including usufruct sharing. The total financial assistance provided to each of the States during the last three years under the afforestation schemes of the Ministry of Environment & Forests is at Annexure I. Tree planting activities are also taken up by States under their plan schemes and the schemes of the other central ministries. Overall, annual targets are fixed for afforestation and tree planting activities under the 20-Point Programme in two parts: the first is for seedlings distribution for planting on private lands and the second is in terms of afforestation on public lands, including forest lands. Plantations undertaken as part of social forestry are included therein. The State-wise targets and achievements for the last three years under the 20-Point Programme are at Annexure II.

(d) to (g) There is no World Bank assisted forestry project under implementation in Jharkhand. However, the Word Bank has provided assistance to forestry projects in several other States as per details at Annexure III. Several forestry sector projects have been posed to external-aid agencies including the World Bank as part of the continuing endeavour to augment internal resources through external support. Outcome of these proposals is dependent upon their assessment by the concerned agencies.

ANNEXURE I

Annexure I in respect of parts (a) to (c) of the Lok Sabha Starred Question No. 71 dueon 26.2.2001 regarding Social Afforestation Projects

(Rs. in lakhs)

Funds provided to States under the centrally sponsored schemes of the Ministry of Environment and Forests during the last 3 years

State	1997-98	1998-99	1999-2000
Andhra Pradesh	232.02	320.73	378.36
Arunachal Pradesh	74.86	19.94	103.05
Assam	166.54	150.95	181.84
Bihar	202.35	125.59	262.04
Goa	21.78	22.82	26.77
Gujarat	272.05	281.86	421.04
Haryana	299.44	409.18	376.42
Himachal	207.46	131.85	283.27
Jammu & Kashmir	393.49	494.19	567.94
Karnataka	438.22	227.46	444.41
Kerala	257.77	334.80	463.37
Madhya Pradesh	690.71	876.06	896.93
Maharashtra	225.38	174.64	195.91
Manipur	218.48	469.07	676.54
Meghalaya	5.48	12.00	10.21
Mizoram	339.83	339.72	392.25
Nagaland	1.22	15.23	49.47
Orissa	192.13	378.11	521.73
Punjab	268.61	62.81	28.62
Rajasthan	643.36	663.05	684.84
Sikkim	194.04	343.08	281.34
Tamil Nadu	160.39	170.86	135.03
Tripura	166.51	106.46	55.02
Uttar Pradesh	648.60	633.44	736.23
West Bengal	288.52	433.39	506.99
Total	6609.24	7197.29	8679.62

ANNEXURE II

Annexure II in respect of parts (a) to (c) of the Lok Sabha Starred Question No. 71 due on 26.2.2001 regarding Social Afforestation Projects

Targets/Achievements for Afforestation Activities under Twenty Point Programme (TPP) during 1997-2000

Seedlings in lakhs/Area in hectares

Sl. No.	State/UT	Targets (1997-2000)		Achievements (1997-2000)	
		Seedling Distribution	Area	Seedling Distribution	Area
1	Andhra Pradesh	4200	255000	7030.08	522231
2	Arunachal Pra	21	30000	25.85	8588
3	Assam	75	81000	74.46	18088
4	Bihar	1500	120000	419.28	40657
5	Goa	70	4200	33.19	2610.30
6	Gujarat	5700	205000	5761.92	201432
7	Haryana	600	96000	106.13	48072
8	Himachal Pra	60	90000	90.09	89810
9	Jammu & Kashmir	180	72000	177.66	52758
10	Karnataka	1300	223000	1627.88	239963.30
11	Kerala	540	57000	15.07	34751
12	Madhya Pradesh	1350	450000	1786.41	643535
13	Maharashtra	3450	378000	2626.83	283266.94
14	Manipur	75	36000	35.57	17025
15	Meghalaya	120	54000	139.18	6546
16	Mizoram	66	59400	65.46	19309
17	Nagaland	180	24000	0	0
18	Orissa	900	253000	737.18	217496
19	Punjab	156	60000	156.87	31281
20	Rajasthan	1200	253000	1066.53	160115
21	Sikkim	66	33000	59.89	27326.86
22	Tamil Nadu	3300	295000	3106.06	484049
23	Tripura	120	30000	129.56	24794.58
24	Uttar Pradesh	6600	330000	5615.46	275186.91
25	West Bengal	2475	132000	541	34186
26	A & N Islands	12	12700	3.81	10141.13
27	Chandigarh	0.30	1100	1.53	269
28	D & N Haveli	37	2300	15.20	980

29 Daman & Diu 4.25 130 0.83 159
30 Delhi 75 3000 50.13 80
31 Lakshadweep 15 225 12 197
32 Pondicherry 15 225 16.51 224.09

Total 34462.55 3640280 31527.62 3495128.11

+ Seedling Distribution: for planting on private lands - under Point No. 16A of the TPP.
++ Area: coverage on public lands including forest lands - under Point No. 16B of the TPP.

ANNEXURE III

Annexure III in respect of parts (d) to (g) of the Lok Sabha Starred Question No. 71 due on 26.2.2001 regarding Social Afforestation Projects

Sl.No. Name of the Project Total Project Cost Physical Targets
(Rs. in crore) (in `000 ha.)

State Sector

1 Uttar Pradesh 272.00 160
Forestry Project
1997-98 to 2000-01
2 Kerala Forestry 183.00 54
Project 1998-99 to
2001-02
Total 455.00 214

Central Sector

1 Forestry Research 192.47
Education and
Extension Project
(FREEP), 1994-95
to 2001-02
2 Eco-Development
Project, 294.93
1996-97 to 2002-03

Total 487.40

+ : Being implemented by the Ministry of Environment and Forests

II. Completed World Bank assisted forestry sector projects

Sl. No. Name of the Project Project Period Total Project Cost
(Rs. in Cr.)

1. Social Forestry Project, 1979-80 to 1983-84 40.00
Uttar Pradesh

2. Social Forestry Project, 1982-83 to 1990-91 57.07

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3. Social Forestry Project, West Bengal	1981-82 to 1990-91	34.75
4. Social Forestry Project, Karnataka (with ODA)	1983-84 to 1991-92	124.55
5. Social Forestry Project, Kerala	1984-85 to 1992-93	59.51
6. National Social Forestry Project (with USAID)(UP, HP, Raj, Guj)	1985-86 to 1992-93	387.29
7 Gujarat Community Forestry Project	1980-81 to 1984-85	66.65
8 West Bengal Forestry Project	1992-93 to 1997-98	114.00
9 Maharashtra Forestry Project	1992-93 to 1999-00	431.00
10 Andhra Pradesh Forestry Project	1994-95 to 1999-00	353.92
11 Madhya Pradesh Forestry Project	1995-96 to 1999-00	245.94
Total		1914.68